

# TACTICAL TRAUMA ASSESSMENT GUIDE (TTA)

This TTA guide will aid students and trainers as they perform/demonstrate the assessment of a casualty during the Tactical Field Care phase of Tactical Combat Casualty Care (TCCC).

## CARE UNDER FIRE (CUF)/CARE UNDER THREAT ACTIONS



**Return fire and take cover** – support establishment of fire superiority



**Direct the casualty** to remain engaged as a combatant, if appropriate; or to move to cover and apply self-aid, if able



**Perform a casualty drag/carry** to move an unresponsive or immobile casualty to cover or to a secure site as the tactical situation permits



**Extract casualties** from the burning source and move them to relative safety, **stop the burning** process as necessary



**Address life-threatening bleeding: Apply high and tight** limb tourniquet using the casualty's Joint First Aid Kit and supplies

**Stop life-threatening external hemorrhage if tactically feasible:**

- Direct casualty to control hemorrhage by self-aid if able.
- Use a CoTCCC-recommended limb tourniquet for hemorrhage that is anatomically amenable to tourniquet use.
- Apply the limb tourniquet over the uniform clearly proximal to the bleeding site(s). If the site of the life-threatening bleeding is not readily apparent, place the tourniquet “high and tight” (as proximal as possible) on the injured limb and move the casualty to cover.